EXHIBIT "A"

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Bob-

On behalf of ICOS, we are today producing the ICOS/Glaxo Collaboration Agreement, including the amendment agreements, pursuant to which ICOS obtained ownership of the '006 and '329 patents. After your review, please advise whether we can forego the issue of your seeking communications documents leading to the agreements.

It appears we can obtain documents from Glaxo relating to the '006 and '329 patents. We are doing so, and intend to produce such documents to you as are responsive to the discovery requests to the extent not objected to and not previously produced. We have no present understanding of what further documents will come from this. Also, we are not sure of the timeframe when this production, if any, will be completed; however, we intend to have this wrapped up this month.

It does not appear we can order witness testimony from Glaxo. As you know, the arrangements for overseas depositions are involved and will take many weeks if you have not already started. You must also be aware that France leaves it up to the French citizen to decide whether to give testimony for an overseas litigation such as this.

At your request, we checked on early deposition availability for Dr. Francois Hyafil due to the story we heard which we passed on to you that he was gravely ill. Glaxo has advised that Francois Hyafil is too gravely ill to even consider a deposition. It would seem that any attempt by Vanderbilt (or ICOS)to schedule him now or in the near future will be met with a flat refusal. We did not check on current availability for others, such as Dr. Grondin, since there was no chance for an early deposition of Dr. Hyafil anyway.

We note your responses are overdue to our last set of document requests. By our calculation, your responses were to be served on April 17.

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